

Federal Agency Conflict Slows Conservation Plan

Much of the time, organized conservationists—as opposed to ordinary people who like the great outdoors but don't demonstrate about it—appear to take the tack that all property should be removed from private ownership and turned over to the government.

The only trouble with that simplistic view of conservation is that there are conflicting interests at all levels of government, too.

Thus, we have had the disturbing example in California of redwood groves, purchased jointly by private subscription and public funds and turned over to the state for park purposes, that have then been emasculated by the State Division of Highways for freeway construction.

At the federal level, too, conservationists are finding that all federal agencies are not necessarily interested in their cause.

Some time ago Congress enacted a measure favored by conservationists, the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, which requires the Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, and other agencies involved in the development of rivers and streams to conform to certain standards for the protection of wildlife.

The Tennessee Valley Authority, however, was not included in the Act, and a bill is presently before Congress to bring it into conformity. Much to the surprise of the National Wildlife Federation and other conservationists, TVA is fighting the proposal tooth and nail.

Even though conservationists charge TVA is ignoring fish and wildlife values in presently planned flood control projects in North Carolina and Tennessee, TVA claims that it "has been given

on a unique responsibility for handling the natural resources in its region," and wants no diminishment of its broad grant power.

Interestingly, the Department of the Interior opposes TVA's determination to be exempted from the provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Co-ordination Act.

But the Department of the Interior, on another front, is engaged in a bitter battle with conservationist groups over the proposed construction of two dams and power plants on the Colorado River, which, opponents charge, would partially flood out the Grand Canyon.

Representative Morris Udall of Arizona, sponsor of the legislation and a brother of the Secretary of the Interior, claims that the dams would not destroy the beauty of the Grand Canyon, and charges that opposition to their construction is "fed and fanned by individuals and organizations who are willing to overlook long-range needs for lofty but short-sighted and unrealistic principles."



PARIS BOUND . . . Rafael Gluck of 23218 S. Carlow Road prepares to board an Air France Jetliner for a non-stop flight to Paris. He will continue on to central Europe on a business trip.

Cancer Society District Eight Meet, Elect Officers

Mrs. Jack Ansley was elected president of District Eight of the American Cancer Society, succeeding Mrs. Peter Marsh, in a recent meeting at Harbor General Hospital. Mrs. Kenneth Munson was elected vice president and Mrs. Harry Chedister recording secretary.

Guests included John Blow, assistant executive director from the Los Angeles County branch, Sandra Phelps, public information assistant, and Pat Swire, field social worker.

Among the reports given by the various committee chairmen was the report on the financial progress of the crusade. As of the meeting, the quota was only \$4,000 short of the district quota of \$86,000.

Jim Lewis, chief technologist at the hospital, took the group on a tour of the laboratories. They met Dr. J. Morin, who is working under an American Cancer Society research grant. He explained how his \$29,000 grant was

being used in his work on cancer.

The next council meeting will be held June 21 at the Torrance hospital.

Michael P. Griffin, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl O. Griffin, 2711 W. 181st St., was promoted to specialist four, May 18, in Germany, where he is assigned to the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment's 2d Reconnaissance Squadron.

Griffin was graduated from North High School in 1963 and was a lineman for General Telephone, Redondo Beach, before entering the Army.

Airman Richard W. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Myer Miller of 16123 Atkinson Ave., Gardena, has been selected for technical training at Keesler AFB, Miss., U.S. Air Force communications - electronics specialist.

The airman recently completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Miller was graduated from Gardena High in 1965 and attended El Camino College.

Luncheon Honors New Democratic Nominees

Congressman Cecil R. King, Senate President pro Tempore Hugh M. Burns and Assembly Speaker Jesse M. Unruh spoke at a luncheon honoring California's Democratic Nominees Saturday at the

Airman Robert B. Boarder of Gardena, has been selected for technical training at Amarillo AFB, Tex., as a U.S. Air Force aircraft maintenance specialist. The airman recently completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Airman Boarder was graduated from Palo Verde High School, Tucson, Ariz., in 1964 and attended El Camino College.

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The luncheon followed the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Democratic State Central Committee.

"This marks the first opportunity for our party leaders to get together with the candidates selected by the Democratic voters in last Tuesday's primary," Southern California Democratic Chairman Carmen H. Warshaw said at the luncheon.

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